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Title

METHOD FOR DETECTING DEFICIENT CELLULAR

MEMBRANE TIGHTLY BOUND MAGNESIUM FOR DISEASE

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It is respectfully submitted that the present invention as claimed is patentable over the listed references.

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Applicant states that the attached references have not been cited in any communication from a foreign patent office and were not known to the Applicant more than three months prior to filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

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Acknowledgment of receipt is respectfully requested.

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